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Subject: Bishop Tube

Hi Ragesh & Ryan,

Happy New Year. Hope all is well with you at PADEP.

I understand that George Hartstein informed Karen that PADEP was not ready to move the site over to EPA and that PADEP was having internal discussions about Bishop Tube's site work (see George's email below). I wanted to follow-up on the path forward for Bishop Tube and what EPA's role would be at this point. Please let me know your availability this week for a conference call.

Thank you.

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Subject: RE: [External] Bishop Tube

Hi Karen and Linda and Steve,

Good luck on your new duties, and thanks for reaching out to us. Sorry I've been delinquent in getting back to you on Bishop Tube.

For Bishop Tube, we are not all on board internally with moving the site to EPA under the remedial program at this time. I still want to go over the pros and cons more internally, but for now we are continuing to work with the prior property owners on a site characterization and intend to continue to work the site through our state superfund program. The site is listed on the Pennsylvania Priority List for remedial response, so there is an

expectation that we are going to follow-up through our state program absent some reason why state response won't work and federal action is needed.

Regarding Remacor, I understand that the program staff have been discussing the EPA's offer to devote cost recovery revenue toward the site. Thank you for that consideration. We would like to continue that discussion to see whether EPA would be able to participate in a removal action at the site to move the ball forward. DEP has performed investigation and interim response actions at the site and there is local interest to clear the property for reuse.

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